



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2005 Wisconsin Act 340 [2005 Assembly Bill 122]	Specialized Medical Vehicles
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2005 Wisconsin Act 340 states that in order to be certified under Medical Assistance as a specialized medical vehicle (SMV) provider, a person must have at least one human service vehicle that satisfies Department of Transportation (DOT) requirements for a vehicle that is used to transport a person in a wheelchair. If a provider uses two or more vehicles to provide transportation by SMV, at least two of the vehicles must be human service vehicles that satisfy DOT requirements for a vehicle that is used to transport a person in a wheelchair, and any third or additional vehicle must be a human service vehicle to which equipment for transporting a person in a wheelchair may be added.

The Act further provides that the Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) must pay for transportation by SMV that is provided in a human service vehicle that is not equipped to transport a person in a wheelchair if the person being transported does not use a wheelchair. The reimbursement rate for transportation by SMV provided in such a vehicle must be the same as the rate for transportation by SMV provided in a vehicle that is equipped to accommodate a wheelchair.

Effective Date: The Act takes effect on April 29, 2006.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.